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TAGS: PINS, CA, CU
SUBJ: MEDIA REPORTS EXPULSION OF FIVE CUBANS,
INCLUDING THREE DIPLOMATS

1. CANADIAN PRESS (CP) TICKER ITEM JANUARY 10 REPORTS
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN STATING THAT
FIVE CUBANS, INCLUDING THREE DIPLOMATS, HAD BEEN
ORDERED OUT OF CANADA AFTER THE DISCOVERY OF A CUBAN
SPY OPERATION IN MONTREAL. THE NON-DIPLOMATS, ACCORDING
TO THE STORY, ARE HECTOR ARAZOZA AND SANTO HERNANDEZ-
CUESTA, THE FORMER REPORTEDLY AN INSTRUCTOR AT MCGILL
UNIVERSITY IN MONTREAL. CP TICKER DOES NOT GIVE NAMES
OF CUBAN DIPLOMATS.

2. TICKER ITEM FOLLOWED EARLIER HEADLINE STORY IN
JAN 10 MONTREAL GAZETTE REPORTING ALLEGATIONS OF "AN
AMERICAN MERCENARY, 40-YEAR-OLD DAVID BUFKIN" THAT
HE HAD BEEN TRAINED FOR CUBAN UNDERCOVER ACTIVITY
AT A "CUBAN ESPIONAGE SCHOOL" AT 1415 PINE AVE. WEST
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MONTREAL, THE ADDRESS OF THE CUBAN CONSULATE.

3. ACCORDING TO GAZETTE, BUFKIN CLAIMED THAT HE HAD
BEEN RECRUITED FOR CUBAN ESPIONAGE WORK WHILE IN MEXICO
AND HAD BEEN SENT BY CUBANS TO RHODESIA TO INFILTRATE
THAT COUNTRY'S SECURITY FORCES. BUFKIN PURPORTEDLY
CLAIMED THAT HE HAD, IN FACT, WORKED AS A DOUBLE

AGENT FOR BOTH CUBANS AND RHODESIANS. GAZETTE
ALLEGED THAT ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE (RCMP)
WERE INVESTIGATING MATTER.

4. EMBASSY WILL REPORT FURTHER DETAILS BY SEPTTEL.
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